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THE CARNIVAL.

The skating rink presented a very gay appearance on last Thursday evening that being the time appointed for the first fancy dress carnival of the season. The weather and ice were all that could be desired, the former not being too cold for enjoyment and the latter in first-class condition. The merry throng on the ice in their varied costumes and airy movements on their glittering steel skates, the embodiment of good humor and happiness. The music furnished by the band of the 95th batt. added in no small measure to the enjoyment of the evening.

THE COSTUMES.

LADIES.
Misses Matheson and Scott, Neapolitan Ladies.
Misses Fraser and Fleming, Sunflowers.
Miss Connolly and Mrs. Whitman, Emerald Gown.
Miss Christie, Housemaid.
Miss Delaney, Fairy.
Miss Brown, Lady of the 18th Century.
Miss Scott, Princess.
Miss Glendinning, White Daisy.
Miss S. Glendinning, Snow Flake.
Mrs. Randall, Stars and Stripes.
Miss E. Murray, School girl.
Miss Moore, Red, White and Blue.
Miss O'Rourke and Mrs. Dickson, Sailor girls.
Miss Guston, S. L. V.
Miss Hammy, Stars.
Miss Lee, Dabulis.
Miss Mabel Watter, Poltra.
Miss L. Lee, Butterfly.
Miss Cameron, Maid.
Miss Laphont, Gipsy.
Miss Barton, Little old lady.
Miss C. John, Rose.
Miss Edna Somerville, S. L. O.
Miss Foster, Cullen Bawn.
Miss Rannstark, Red, White and Blue.
GENTLEMEN.
J. Jones, Diplomat.
F. P. Jarvis, Brandon.
E. L. Sparrow, Negro.
W. S. Fleming, Burgundian gent of the 15th Century.
R. Darling, Santa Claus.
W. Binkley, Negro.
J. Battell, Brandon.
F. Stripp, Indian.
S. Johnston, Sloppy Sully.
D. Munro, Sailor lad.
Mr. Guss, Duke.
P. Ruckes, Little Lord Fountley.
Harry Fowler, Advertising agent.
S. Loughton, Highlander.
C. Pickering, Old Granny.
C. Clark, Simple Simon.
J. Delaney, Japanese.
A. Gregson, Negro wench.
H. Moor, Orangutan.
G. E. Sheldridge, Page.
Mr. Bonacas, Gentleman.
M. Smith and A. Fleming, Jackies.
Mr. Randall, Snow Shoon.
F. Knight, Smoke stack.
G. Gibson, Count Appenellhuden.
F. R. Jones, Count Appenellhuden.
Mr. Gilbert, Old Man Frode.
J. Mulish, Highlander.
R. Daddis, Old woman.
Geo. Smith, Lark.
D. Craig, Lough.
W. G. Grace, Cricket Brandon.
W. Magee, Red White and Blue.
B. Innes and L. Moor, Negroes.
J. Miller, Mother Hubbard.
G. Ballraith, Jockey.
F. Galbraith, Little Lord Fountley.
W. Graham, Lough.
N. Lario, Orangutan.
F. Collins, Prince.
Mr. Coleman, Toboggan.
J. Mulish, Carpet Knight.
Mr. Wilson, Lawn Tennis.
Mr. Cockerill, Toboggan.

PRIZE WINNERS.
Best gentleman's costume, J. W. Fleming.
Best lady's costume, Miss Scott.
Best gentleman skater, Mr. Coleman.
Best lady skater, Mrs. Christie.
Comic costume, Mr. Johnston.

JUDGES.
Messrs. J. C. Sinclair, Geo. McBean, of Winnipeg and P. L. Kennedy.

THE CURLING RINK.

The following district matches were played in the local rink on Thursday, January 24th.

For Royal Caledonian Medal.

BRANDON.
Jas. Paterson, 18.
A. Kelly, 15.
33.

VIRDES.
R. F. Truett, 10.
W. D. Craig, 17.
27.

For District Medal.

BRANDON.
Arthur Fleming, 9.
T. G. Lockhart, 8.
17.

VIRDES.
W. D. Craig, 13.
R. E. Truett, 19.
32.

Two rinks shipped by F. G. A. Henderson and Wm. Johnston will play in Virde for the Royal Trophy this week.

Sifton 14 vs. Phillips 9.
Turnance 12 vs. Alexander 9.
Matheson 14 vs. Skymer 9.
Hendersen 18 vs. Christie 8.
Hendersen 10 vs. Christie 12.

Fleming 11. vs. Cooper 5.
Fleming 5. vs. Cooper 24.
Paterson 16. vs. Brower 10.
Lockhart 18. vs. Stewart 10.

SINGLE HANDED COMPETITION.
Cooper 4 vs. Kavanagh 2.
Shirriff 8 vs. Townsend 7.
Hunt 10. vs. Lockhart 9.
Fleming 14. vs. Reesor 4.

The following rinks will attend the Provincial hospital at Winnipeg, Feb. 3, 4, 5 and 6.

N. Johnston. J. G. Tarriff.
H. Bower. D. McKelvie.
Jos. McDonald. Jas. Hanbury.
T. A. Lockhart. Jas. Paterson.
W. H. Shillinglaw. J. S. Gibson.
G. H. Munroe. A. E. Philp.
C. Brower. D. J. Stewart.
A. Kelly. D. H. Cooper.

These rinks are now playing down to decide which shall represent the club at the International match.

The return match between Carberry and Brandon was played on the local ice. The following is the score of both matches:

At Carberry, Jan. 23rd.
Wm. Alexander, 7. W. H. White, 23.
A. Jukes, 14. A. Robertson, 22.
27. 45.

At Brandon, Jan. 27.
Jas. Paterson, 16. E. Morton, 11.
A. Kelly, 14. Wm. Hope, 15.
30. 26.

A friendly game was played between rinks representing the bankers of Brandon and Carberry.

A. Jukes, 14. J. W. Campbell, 11.

A JEWISH WEDDING.

A BRANDONITE CAPTURES A WINNERS.

JEWES.

An interesting wedding—weddings are always interesting, you know to a place last Sunday evening at the residence of Mr. A. Berkman, a respected Jewish citizen of this city. The celebrating parties were Mr. J. Weislaw, formerly of Wapella, but now a resident of this city, and Miss Jennie Gallant, of Winnipeg. The ceremony was performed according to the Jewish custom, as given in the Old Testament and the ancient Rabbinical writings. Rabbi Greenberg of this city was the officiating clergyman, as we Gentiles would call him. The ceremony was performed in the presence of ten persons of the Jewish persuasion and the following invited guests: Geo. Munro, W. H. Merritt, W. Taylor, Jake Zink, Wm. Zink and J. H. Jones. After the bride was dressed for the occasion in the presence of the assembled guests and friends, the young couple took their places under a silk canopy and then the venerable Rabbi did not take long to make the twain one. There were many ceremonies to be performed and the ceremony that, such as the groom crushing a bottle under foot and the presenting the bride with certain articles. Mr. Berkman is to be complimented on the great interest he took in the new Jewish couple. Not only did he furnish accommodation for the ceremony, but also place but he also furnished a magnificent supper for the friends and guests present. So pleasant was the time spent in vocal and instrumental music and dancing that the company did not break up until 2 o'clock on Monday morning.

MARKETS.

GRAIN.

Wheat—Deliveries have been very light during the past week and the hope that farmers would, ere this, have been raising in the stocks that are known to be hidden by them has not been realized. The price for No. 2 hard is still kept at 90 cts. and there are no present prospects of a rise. Inferior grades are not much sought after and the trade generally is dull.

Oats—Are much required for and good wheat, fit for milling or seed, readily find a sale, while feed samples now mark 25 cts.

Barley—Not much coming in and the highest figure now quoted to us is 27 cts.

MEAT MARKET.

There have been no beef cattle on sale during the week. From 21 cts. to 25 cts. has been paid for them. The stock of dressed meats now in the hands of the principal dealers preclude them from buying and there are but a few who wish to touch live stock unless they get it cheap. In dressed meats and poultry there is no change since last week unless that dressed hogs are easier from 6 to 6 1/2 cts. a lb.

Butter—Is still plentiful and dealers complain that they cannot work off the stocks they have on hand. Really choice rolls and prints, of fresh made, command a ready sale at good figures, but "worked over" and inferior samples are dull at from 13 cts. to 17 cts. a lb.

Eggs—Owing to the extremely mild weather have been coming in much more plentifully and prices have consequently dropped. Good fresh laid are now only making from 18 to 20 cts. a doz. the latter price being paid in trade.

Hay is in better supply but still brings from 88 to 910 a ton according to quality.

Mallet, the jeweller, is clearing out his large stock of all kinds of jewellery at away down prices to make room for his spring stock.

A SAD AFFLICTION.

The sympathy of the whole community was with Professor McKee of the Brandon Academy and his good wife when it became known that they had lost three of their children by death last week. Two weeks ago a virulent type of diphtheria appeared in the family. It is unaccountable how the disease was contracted as the family were not from home and we have not heard of any other cases in town. All five of Mr. McKee's children were down with it at once and to add to the sorrows of the afflicted gentleman the almost heart broken mother was also taken sick with the disease. The mother's love was too strong, however, for the good lady to give up and she still continued to help nurse her darlings. On Monday the children were seemingly all doing well and the parents had strong hopes that the worst was over. Towards evening, however, one of the children grew worse and notwithstanding all efforts to combat the disease the little one succumbed before morning. The other children then seemed to be improving but within a few days two more of them had passed away. It is a sad, sad affliction which was greatly heightened by the fact that friends who would gladly have helped the stricken parents were prevented from doing so by the nature of the disease. It is earnestly to be hoped that the two little ones now left may be spared to the bereaved parents. Not only the heart felt sympathy but the prayers of the whole Christian community are with Mr. and Mrs. McKee.

A GOOD TIME.

SOURCE FIRMANS ENJOY THEMSELVES.

Last Friday evening was regular meeting night of Glenwood Lodge, No. 25, A. F. & A. M. Some of the business of the evening was concluded the brethren adjourned to the Trench House, where a sumptuous repast had been provided. A few of the Brandon brethren and friends were invited. The eighth being removed the following programme was gone through with:

TIRED OF LIFE.

A MAN THROWS HIMSELF IN FRONT OF A TRAIN.

Mr. John Pascoe, a driver on one of the C.P.R. engines, arrived in the city on Sunday, and tells the following tale of a determined attempt of a man to commit suicide. As the freight train to which Mr. Pascoe's engine was attached, drew up to Mammouth station the driver was horrified to see a well dressed man deliberately step on to the track and throw himself face downwards in the centre of the rails. The pilot of this engine is very low and the man was picked up by it and thrown one side but without sustaining serious injuries. One arm and a foot were crushed badly, and skull had some bruises and cuts on it. Conductor McLaughlan and the other train hands did all in their power to relieve the sufferings of the unfortunate man. He was afterwards taken to Winnipeg where his injuries were attended to, the arm having to be amputated. He said his name was John Dark, but refused to tell where his home was. It is supposed he committed the rash act while laboring under a fit of despondency.

AN APOLOGY.

Brandon, Jan. 21st, 1891.

E. S. Phillips Esq.

Brandon.

Any statement which I made while under excitement relative to you in relation to my estate I hereby apologize for and retract.

Any language affecting your character was prejudiced and not warranted. You are at liberty to publish this and to make use of it as you desire.

Yours truly,

W. H. Hooper.

Brandon, Jan. 21st, 1891.

E. S. Phillips Esq.

My son informs me that you bear us animus for my late conduct. I am most heartily ashamed of what I did, and hereby apologize. I certainly let my head—had I an opportunity of speaking with you personally I could more fully explain some of the reasons that led up to my outrageous conduct. I thank you for your forbearance and promise you that you will never again have reason to complain of me. Anything else that you wish me to do I will most certainly comply with.

Yours truly,

W. H. Hooper.

Weather Report.

Observations taken at the Experimental farm, Brandon, with Government standard instruments, for the week ending Jan. 27th, 1891.

DATE	HIGHEST	LOWEST	WIND
Jan. 27	27 above	6 below	
" 28	28 above	6 below	
" 29	28 above	6 below	
" 30	28 above	6 below	
" 31	28 above	6 below	
" 1	28 above	6 below	
" 2	28 above	6 below	
" 3	28 above	6 below	

E. A. Henderson (Owner).

NOTICE!

AT THE
Leading House

Strome's Mammoth Establishment.

January's business a great success. Our general job lines have been taken advantage of. Big drives during the remainder of this month.

Stock Taking.

Special drives in certain lines and remnants to make room for large spring purchases to arrive in February. Our values are never surpassed. For values we claim to be at the top of the ladder. Give us a trial and see for yourselves.

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Leading Dry Goods

AND

Clothing - - House,

Coombs and Stewart Block,

Brandon.

Ladoga Wheat.

NOTICE.

As THE MAIL newspaper and all its belongings pass into the hands of a joint stock company, on the first of the year, it is imperative that all the book accounts, subscriptions, etc., now due, be paid to the present publisher at once. We have waited year in and year out on many to pay up, and now we must have prompt settlements of all due. The crops have been good the past year and prices are fair, so that all who make an effort can readily pay the small amounts due us, and their total with the publisher makes a large amount. We trust this notice is all that will be required, as accounts have been this rendered to all in arrears.

C. CLIFFE.

BRANDON MAIL.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29, 1891.

SELKIRK AND MR. DALY.

The individual, who by the grace of his creditors, is allowed to control the columns of the Brandon Times is waxing bold these days. Intoxicated with the idea of running an apology for newspaper he must needs make a donkey of himself. Before this man undertakes to discipline the Conservative electorate of Selkirk he had better say by what right he dare dictate or even suggest what course they should pursue?

An outcast from his party, one thrust from the ranks of decent men has no place as a censor or critic in this riding. He over estimates his own judgment and under estimates the rights and good sense of the electors of Selkirk. We should not notice the articles which appear weekly in the Times but would heed them as in the past, with silent contempt. Patience has ceased to be a virtue in this case and our silence might be construed into acquiescence in the course pursued by J. M. Robinson. We unhesitatingly say that the Times voices only the opinion and personal animus of J. M. Robinson in all the abuse that is being heaped upon Mr. Daly. Neither he nor his paper can decisively speak for a single Conservative elector in the riding. We do not hesitate to say that there are not 400 electors in the riding that even read or see the paper. It is to wreak personal revenge against Mr. Daly and the Dominion government that Robinson pursues the course he is doing. If his papers at Portage and Brandon were in receipt of government patronage their columns would tell a different tale. As has been justly said of the man he has been "a Conservative for revenue." The revenue has been cut off, hence the abuse. Judging from the price paid by the late Hon. John Norquay it would take a good lump of cash "to hold" this man Robinson.

We commend the wisdom of those he abuses in refusing to "ignore him," the results to be obtained would be so indifferent the services of himself and his papers would be dear at any price. As the Conservatives of Selkirk chose their present representative by convention we have no doubt they will do so again, and as they chose Mr. Daly in 1887 without the aid or assistance and without consulting Robinson or his paper, we have no doubt the same wise choice will be made again. We say wise choice advisedly. We defy the Times or its controller to point to a single representative in all Canada in the present Parliament who has been able to do so much for his constituency as Mr. Daly has done? It might also be remembered in this connection, that until Mr. Daly became its representative there was not a dollar of government money spent in Selkirk except in the Immigration sheds at Brandon. Since 1887—with the exception of the building of the new Immigration sheds in Winnipeg and a few buildings at Stony Mountain and the dredging of St. Andrews rapids—the only money that has been expended by the Dominion government in the whole province has been in Selkirk? And yet the Times has the cheek to say that Mr. Daly has no influence at Ottawa? Is not the magnificent building on Rossar Avenue a monument that Mr. Daly and his constituents may well feel proud and they do feel proud of it. To whose influence and hard work do we owe the location of the Experimental Farm at Brandon? Whom do the people of Deloraine thank for the appropriation in behalf of their well? In whose constituency have the C. P. R. been expending money during the past few years? Every mile of railway built by the C. P. R. since 1887 in Manitoba has been in Selkirk. The Barnsley branch to Carman. The Souris branch and the extension of the Glenboro branch. Let the Times man enquire of the Minister of Railways and of Mr. Van Horne who has persistently urged upon them these works, and to whose persistency in a great measure due the government aid of 6,400 acres of land per mile, and we do not hesitate to say whose name will be given him. In season and out

of season Mr. Daly's constituents know that he has in everything done his best to further the interests of the riding as well as those of the province.

We do not need to pursue this theme any longer. Mr. Daly is perfectly safe in the hands of his friends who are legion. And once for all we want Robinson of the Times to understand that it will not make a particle of difference to either Mr. Daly or the Conservative party of Selkirk what his opinions are, and that he will have just as much choice in the selection and election of a Conservative candidate for Selkirk as he had in 1887, and that was nil. Robinson's suntriffulness, conceit, arrogance, rashness and self-sufficiency are too much for him. He has overreached himself this time. We leave you, Mr. Robinson of the Times, more in sorrow than in anger, to your lonely reflections. We have no doubt you will soon conclude that it will be far wiser and better for you to pack up your grip and get out. You are only wasting your powder. When the Conservatives of Selkirk want advice they will seek it from one who belongs to their party and not renegades such as you whose party allegiance is measured only by the lawful currency of Canada.

THE HONEST JUDGE.

That Pecksniffian specimen of journalism at Winnipeg, yept the Tribune, is as Artemus Ward said of the monkey, "a most amusing little cuss." Listen to his chatter:

If there is a redistribution before the election Mr. T. M. Daly will, no doubt, see that he has a pretty safe constituency carefully carved out for himself, otherwise he will meet with a good deal of trouble in getting elected. In the annals of Manitoba, his name will be imperishably associated with the Assiniboine River Drainage scheme; which he put forward as the price of the abandonment of the anti-disallowance agitation. Other than the conception of the brilliant idea, which was swept away in a storm of ridicule, we never heard of Mr. Daly doing anything for the people of Manitoba.

If Mr. Watson is again presented as a candidate in Marquette, he will not fail of re-election. In parliament he has pursued a manly and independent course, and has achieved an enviable reputation. Not another representative from Manitoba or the territories so holds the confidence and regard of the people.

That there will be a redistribution before there is a general election is a moral certainty, that Mr. Daly will see that his constituency is a properly constituted one, also goes without saying. That, however, it will be as irregular in its outline as is the constituency represented by the late Mr. Norquay at the time of his death, though carved by the immaculate Greenway and Martin, whom the Winnipeg Pecksniff worships, it is impossible to conceive.

But let us look beyond this and consider the other vagaries of the Winnipeg light. Mr. Daly at one time supported what is alleged to be an Assiniboine Drainage scheme for "the abandonment of the anti-disallowance agitation," and this is the unpardonable sin. When it comes to this that Grit prints are allowed to manufacture sins for opponents and then sit in judgement upon them, God help the people. As a matter of fact Mr. Daly never supported an Assiniboine "Drainage Scheme" and never opposed any sensible argument in favor of anti-disallowance, though he did oppose the contentions and agitations of unprincipled mountebanks and sharks of the Purvis-Bailey stripe, who had nothing to recommend their views but their own personal interests. What Mr. Daly did recommend was that the Government should agree to devise means by which they would be committed to the abandonment of disallowance of provincial railway charters in 1890, and that in consideration of delay the government should develop the water system of the Assiniboine River, and have the Brandon & Souris railway built at once.

Well, the suggestion was not acted upon and what are the results?—the Assiniboine water system has not been touched, the Brandon & Souris Ry. has not been built, but in lieu the people have the N. P. Ry., which, in point of competition to the province, is of no more value than is the intelligence of the Winnipeg scribe to the great Grit party of Manitoba, whose interests he professes to guard. If Mr. Daly's suggestion had been acted upon, disallowance would now be a thing of the past, and without a cent of cost either to the treasury or the credit of Canada; by the other course being taken, we got it by the Dominion's leaving itself liable for the interest on fifteen millions of dollars. By the other course being taken, we have the N. P. Ry. built practically on the top of other roads, and giving facilities to a people who were already served by them; but the people of another section of the country are left wholly without facilities of any kind whatever. Can Smellfungus of the Tribune get an idea through his head, at all? If he can, here is something for him to think about.

Of course Watson did wonder in the House when he told the people of the world, by the tariff Canada paid out annually \$40,000 on binding twine when the truth is it is and has been precisely

the same price in Canada that it is in the United States, the Canadian manufacturers supplying it at the same figure. Of course it is wisdom for the Federal Government to spend money on immigration, when the Grit representatives wilfully lie about the fiscal policy of the country, to deter immigration, and have at their backs intelligent newspaper Pecksniffs clapping them on the shoulders for doing so.

LOYALTY OF THE FRENCH CANADIANS.

It is not unusual to see in the Liberal press the loyalty of the French Canadians called in question and these papers often attribute the so styled disloyalty to acts of the Dominion Government. Those who believe said statements had better read the following from a French Canadian organ.

"L'Etendard publishes in extenso the speech delivered by his Honor Recorder de Montigny, at the banquet tendered him on Friday evening. Touching on the loyalty of French Canadians to Britain, his Honor said: 'Thank God, we are no longer in the period when, in England they disqualified a witness because he was a Roman Catholic. No, they now understand there, more than anywhere, with that strong practical sense which characterizes the English statesman, that the English of India will never have more faithful subjects than those whose religion orders them to render unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's.' Glory be to that country for the liberality with which she has treated us. The civil and military authorities seen even pleased to hear us proclaim ourselves French and Catholics, and they ought to know that if we could be renegades enough to deny these holy things we would not long be faithful to her flag."

While the Winnipeg Tribune lands Robt. Watson, M.P., at Portage la Prairie, because he ever and always opposed the measures of the Conservative government at Ottawa, no matter whether they were good or bad, because by doing so he pleased his leaders, no matter what injury he did to immigration to this country. The farmers in meeting in that town, "rubbed it up his nose" the other day. They suggested the advisability of increasing the duty on dairy products to keep American butter, etc., out of the Canadian markets, to open a better field for Manitoba products in British Columbia and elsewhere. Now, this is an expression of opinion from the farmers of this province, and what we want to know is, will Watson, who has always endeavored to pose as the friend of the farmers, propose such increase at Ottawa, against the protests of his leaders. If the Tribune wants to prove to the public that Watson is the statesman and patriot it has all along declared he is, it will urge him to take the initiative in this matter. Will Joseph Martin's looking glass do that?

J. M. Robinson, the "owner" of two newspapers, to which he does not attach his name as proprietor for fear of those *nona bane*, says the reason for "the combine" in Mr. Norquay's time was "to correct the scandalous boodle printing arrangement that was then in existence." The combine, we want our readers to understand, was an arrangement by which there was to be a "new Conservative" government established under the leadership of C. P. Brown, that was to be supported by Thos. Greenway, Joseph Martin and our own immaculate James Allan Smart. Of such was to be the fragrance of the new "Conservative (?) administration" and Robinson is the authority on "boodle printing contracts." Will Robinson deny that when he bought C. P. Brown's interest in the Review newspaper, at the Portage, it was with a full understanding that it was to be paid for out of government printing Brown was to throw in his way at double the rates at present paid for the same work? If this is too hard a nut for Robinson to crack, perhaps he will say whether or not it was a fact that under "the new combine" he was to get a large portion of the printing that was at the time boodled out to another. Robinson is a firm believer in the fact that boodles are always improper, unless he himself is into them up to the neck. It was because the late Hon. Thos. White cut off Robinson's boodle at Ottawa, the virtuous Portage now has his knife in to Mr. Daly, believing it was he and not Mr. White that destroyed his (Robinson's) boodle at Ottawa.

The Winnipeg Tribune declares Mr. C. E. Hamilton, attorney-general in Mr. Norquay's government, said at one time, the Norquay government passed the act promising four and a half millions aid to the Hudson's Bay Ry., only because a pistol was placed at their head they either had to pass the act or resign. As Mr. Joseph Martin, the present "first rank provincial capitalist," was the man who of all others urged the measure on the House it was he who held the pistol. The "freemason," however, became suddenly unloosed, the moment Martin got into office. We have a sort of a lingering belief, however, it will become charged again with public indignation when Martin again appeals to the people about eight months hence, and then we will see the scampers to escape the bullets.

We are unable to say a word either in confirmation or contradiction of the report as to Federal elections coming on at once. All we have to say is our friends should stir themselves in the way of preparation, and if they are brought on to be ready and secure every available vote. Doubtless before our next issue the question will be settled one way or the other.

AT HIS OWN WAKE.

Sailor Mike Costlow surprises the Mourners at His Home.

"A funny thing happened some years ago," said a fisherman to a Boston Globe reporter, "and if you have time to listen I'll spin a yarn which you can put down for gospel truth."

"It was the second year after the schooner Flying Eagle was built, and I was one of her crew. That was in the latter part of the 60's. At that time all the boats that supplied the Boston market with fresh fish made their catch on the shore, as we termed it, that is, near the land."

"As I said, I was one of the Eagle's crew, and one day we were fishing on the northeast part of the Middle Bank and one of our dories, containing Mike Costlow and John Rafford, missed the vessel during the heavy snow-storm that set in while we were hauling trawls."

"After searching for them all the afternoon we gave it up. Costlow belonged to this port, and the women folks kicked up a terrible time when they heard the bad news, and the only consolation we could offer was that they might be picked up by a passing vessel."

"Well, for three weeks the neighbors and relatives waited anxiously for the sea to give up its dead or their friends' return, and as neither was the result of their wait they decided to have a first-class wake. Costlow's folks lived on Battery street, and his best suit of clothes was taken down from the peg in the closet and stuffed with hay."

"After all was ready the neighbors came in to view the dummy that was stretched on the table and howl his loss."

"After the farce had been carried on for some time a heavy step was heard on the stairs and then a stumble."

"Well," said I, "pon my word, whoever he is he's in luck, 'cause he's stumbling upstairs."

"The crying went on for some time, then all of a sudden there was a loud knock at the door."

"Arrah! Who can this be that comes knocking at a wake-house door?" cried an old lady, but before she could receive an answer in waited Costlow as large as life."

"What's this?" said Costlow. "Is it me or my step-in' and? and fetching a kick at the dummy he destroyed the whole outfit in short notice."

"Give us a cup of tea," said he, "and none of this fooling. It's no way to welcome a man home after being away three weeks on board a vessel where there was nothing to eat but the masts."

"After awhile one person said: 'It is Mike, I believe.'"

"Of course it is," said he, "and if I thought I would look any thing like that stuffed corpse in the corner the devil a die I'd ever want to die on this earth."

"Then he explained that he and his chum were picked up by a German bark and during the heavy northwest gale that came the next day they were driven to sea and their sails blown away. After repairs were made they again headed toward Boston, but were again

blown off the coast; then they were favored by fair winds and arrived in port in a dilapidated condition."

"After he landed, he made his way to the house, and, seeing craps on the floor, asked some people who was dead:

and being informed that it was himself, proposed to quietly put in an appearance."

"You know the rest. But I am sorry to say that poor Mike was lost on Georges a few years ago, when the schooner Paul Bevere went down with all hands during a heavy winter gale."

LINCOLN AND GRANT.

A Couple of Fresh Stories About the Great War Heroes.

Ex-Governor Ashley, of Montana, lately told a New York Tribune reporter some interesting stories of President Lincoln's kind-heartedness. "I consider President Lincoln," he said, "one of the most remarkable men who ever lived, as his kindness of heart was shown to all men at all times."

"I remember once when Carl Schurz, who was with the army, had sent a letter to the President without consulting his commanding officer. Of course, this was a breach of discipline not to be countenanced, and he subsequently wrote a letter of apology to Mr. Lincoln. The President replied by letter: 'Never mind; come and see me.'"

"Of course, when Schurz went, he began to apologize profusely, but the President, seeing how ill at ease he was, smiled and said in a kindly tone: 'Never mind, Schurz. I guess before we get through talking you won't think I am so bad a man as some people say I am. That kindness broke Schurz all up.'"

"Another time I saw him give a pardon for a soldier sentenced to be shot, on the supposition of the poor fellow's wife and daughters. Of course there was a most pathetic scene, and many of the bystanders cried. After signing the pardon the President said: 'Well, I have made one family happy, but I don't know about the discipline of the army.'"

"Mr. Ashley also told some good stories about General Grant, of whom he was a loyal and ardent admirer. Among some he related was one of a circumstance on the evening of the first day's battle of Shiloh, which had been a defeat."

"At that time," he said, "when any man might have felt disturbed, the quartermaster came to General Grant and told him that if he was again defeated on the next day he could not transport the troops (about 65,000 in number), if it was necessary to cross the river."

"Grant asked him: 'How many can you handle?'"

"Ten thousand," replied the Quartermaster."

"Well," said General Grant, quietly, "if we are defeated, you will be able to carry all that are left."

"So you see," said Mr. Ashley, "what determination Grant had. He simply determined to win or be annihilated."

"Worst Hunter on Record."

"Yes, indeed," said horse and carriage to depot," was the innocent message that went to a lady in Ulster not long ago. She was married, and her husband, usually called Joe, had been away from home for several weeks. The wife had telegraphed a lady member of the family to come up and spend a few weeks with her, and the answer was sent as above. The Ulster lady was prostrated with grief when she received a dispatch reading: "Joe is dead. Send horse and carriage to depot." Arrangements were made in a hurry, and the horse and carriage were in waiting when Joe and the lady stepped out of the train.

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Robt. Parrish, Secy. Treas.

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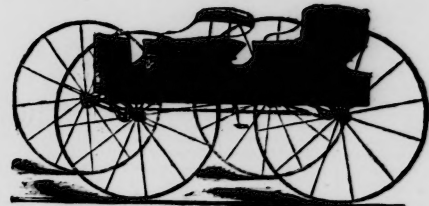
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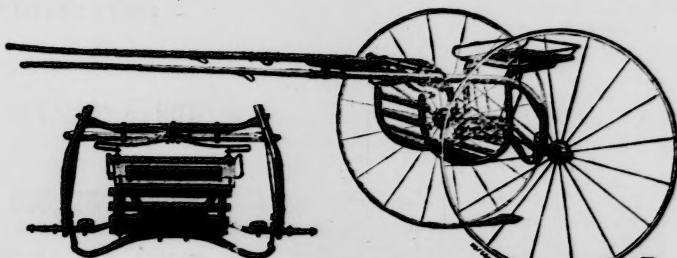


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HARTNEY.

**A Baby Town of the Province.
A Most Phenomenal Growth.
Business Booming and
a Bright Future
Ahead.**

Here there we have been giving sketches of some of the towns whose trade relations with Brandon were anxious to be increased and strengthened. We are pleased to learn that our efforts in this direction have met with a fair share of success and that several of the business men of the city have been benefited. The many words of encouragement that we have received have led us to continue the task of doing more in the same direction. The past week we spent some days in the new town of Hartney—the baby town of the province. We are pleased to write the name of it as Hartney and compliment the authorities for the P. R. and the officials of the Post office department on their having responded to the wishes of the majority of the emigrants and settlers in dropping the name *Archie*, which had been selected. Some of the towns that we have written to commend their intentions as far back as 1882. Wawanesa and Miami, on the Brandon, Morris branch of the N. P. railway on least of having come to the age of thirteen or fifteen months and may therefore be considered as having become young enough to throw off their swaddling clothes and begin like young Canadians to think of managing their own affairs. Hartney, however, can only claim an age of four months and yet in that short time the little town has put on the appearance of a town in every sense of the word. There are now forty-eight buildings in it. These include two grain elevators with a capacity of 30,000 bushels each, four general stores, two hardware stores, a furniture store, a flour and feed store, two blacksmith shops, a barber and tobacconist shop, two stopping houses, three livery, feed and sale stables, two carpenter shops and several private residences. This is not all, however, for there are a number of buildings in the course of erection, including a very large one designed for a temperance hotel. Carpenter and builders seem to be kept quite busy and the sound of the saw and hammer were heard late on in the night. Town life seems to be one of the principal topics of conversation and the place is that of a hub of activity and stir that one was used to in boom days.

ITS SITUATION.

The town site is located on sec. 16, tp. 5, Range 23, and is distant from this city about forty miles. At present it is the terminus of the C. P. R. branch and is in the heart of one of the finest wheat-growing areas of the province. As long ago as 1883 the name Hartney became well known to those taking an interest in the agricultural products of the

country. In that year the present popular reeve of the municipality of Glenwood was also the proprietor of large stores at Souris and Hartney, took the Hudson Bay Co's prize at the provincial exhibition at Portage la Prairie. The following year Mr. Langhland, one of Mr. Hartney's near neighbors, succeeded in capturing the same prize and in this way the district of Hartney became well known.

As one travels from here to the little town on the Souris branch he cannot fail of observing the magnificent stretch of open prairie that he passes through. Here, after crossing the Souris a few miles south of the town known by that name, you find mile after mile of rich prairie land without stone, brush or any other impediment to the successful breaking up of the virgin soil. In the district are some of the great wheat farms of the west rivaling, and in some cases even outdoing, those of the now celebrated Griswold and Alexander districts. If one were sceptical, while riding in the cars, as to quality of the land and its adaptability for wheat raising, his views would soon be changed on stepping off at Hartney. Here he would find long lines of wheat laden wagons and on enquiry would find that the first car of the golden grain was shipped over the new road on the 22nd December last and that on the 21st of January—just one month—the amount marketed had reached the large figures of 159,400 bushels. Nor is this all, for on conversing with some of the farmers met with in the town they informed us that they had got tired waiting for the railroad to reach them, and had marketed the greater part of their grain at Deloraine, Souris, and in one or two cases even as far off as Vineland.

While Hartney district is essentially a wheat growing one it must not be imagined for a moment that there are no opportunities for raising stock. The flats of the Souris river, which skirts the town to the west, offers splendid inducements to those wishing to go into stock raising. Still farther to the west are the sand hills, upon which large herds of cattle and bands of horses are kept, while still farther to the northwest is the celebrated Maple Lake district. The last named district is tributary to the town of Hartney and is one of the finest cattle-raising districts in the province. It will be thus seen that the new town is well situated and that as the farmers increase their acreage and their stock that it must become a great shipping point for agricultural products.

ITS APPEARANCE.

Unlike many of the smaller towns of the province the new town has a very compact appearance. The stores and other business places are built closely together on one street and facing the railway track. One hears no talk of east or west and as you are likely to do in some of those towns we have visited. So far all seems harmonious amongst the citizens and each one seems to be doing his best to advance the interests of the town while working for his own. The main street is wide—132 feet from the stores to the elevators built beside the track—and as level as a floor. Water and good water at that—is easily obtained in large quantities at a depth of from twelve

to sixteen feet. Wood is also plentiful and is brought in in large quantities by the French settlers who have a thriving settlement some ten miles to the west.

ITS BUSINESS MEN.

Amongst the many bustling business men seen on the street or in the stores few of them seem to be more busy than Mr. Fred Spencer. This gentleman was one of the original owners of the present town site and on which he farmed for years. He and the other owners of the section not only donated the lands required for railway purposes but have given the company a large interest in a balance of the land. Mr. Spencer is a keen business man as is shown by the fact that his honey-moon is not yet over and he was busy talking of and selling town lots. The prices of these range at the present time from \$50 to \$150 each according to location. We heard not a few of those who invested in them a few months ago claim that they have re-sold at quite an advance. Indeed we saw one transaction while in the town by which a young clerk in a store cleared \$100 on his former purchase.

Importance we sized up the firm of Messrs. Hammond & Leckie. These gentlemen have not only built one of the large grain elevators but are into the lumbering business including sash and doors, etc. The former has given evidence of his faith in the future of Hartney by having built a very costly and fine looking residence. The junior member of the firm is one of the rustlers in the wheat-buying business and seems to be thoroughly up in the different grades of the grain.

Mr. J. H. Hartney—after whom the town has been called—keeps a very large stock of goods usually found in a general store. His original farm is situated about half a mile from the present site and the people of the town experience considerable inconvenience at present in having to go out there for their mail. This will be remedied in the course of a few weeks, as Mr. Hartney has fitted up the rear part of his store for a post office and is only awaiting instructions from Ottawa to have the office removed. As Mr. Hartney has also another large store at Souris—at which place he now resides—the Hartney store is in charge of Messrs. Evans and Osborne, two gentlemen who seem to know their business thoroughly, and if a customer once purchases at the counter does not come back again it will not be the fault of the salesmen, as they are both endowed with rare business tact.

Mr. J. E. Shillington, who formerly lived at Melgund, also keeps a very heavy stock of goods generally found in a general store. In conversation we found the proprietor very affable and quite enthusiastic as to the future bright prospects of the town. Mr. Shillington, like Mr. Hartney, pays out the cash for one or two of the large wheat handling firms and has therefore a good opportunity of making friends with a view of securing them as prospective customers.

Messrs. Young & Moore are also into the general store line and have a fairly well assorted stock of goods. J. Young, one of the old pioneer farmers of the district, has also pinned his

faith in the town by erecting a very commodious building for carrying on a hardware business. His stock is large and varied and would be no discredit to some of the older and larger towns of the province. Mr. Young, like Mr. Hartney, carries on business and resides at Souris. Both these gentlemen visit the new town once or twice a week and by this means keep up the intimacy of former years with their old neighbors.

Mr. George Butchart, son of Captain Butchart, formerly in the hardware business in Owen Sound, Ont., as well as in Rapid City, has also a very fine stock of hardware. He also manufactures all kinds of tinware on the premises and from appearances is doing quite a business in his line of goods.

Mr. J. E. Sparrow, another of the old residents of the district has cast in his lot with those who are trying to build up the town. He has a large and varied assortment of furniture on hand. Indeed his premises are now so crowded with goods that he informed us he intended enlarging his premises to twice their capacity in the spring.

P. G. Dorst, lately of Boissevain but a former farmer of the district, has taken as his venture a flour and feed store, but intends adding groceries to his stock at an early date.

Dr. Woodhull, well known to many of our citizens and who has lately practiced his profession in Deloraine, has moved into the new town. He has made arrangements with Dr. McDowd, another resident, the latter can follow the practice of the profession, while he, the former, carries on a drug and stationery store. His stock is very good and well assorted and with his genial and kind manner, the retired young Doctor will make a capital dispenser of drugs.

J. A. Grassett, who has the Doctor's store with a barber shop and a supply of tobacconist goods. He says that he has done so well in his new venture that he intends building larger premises in the spring and adding fruit and other delicacies to his stock.

R. Douglass, of Deloraine, has a good-sized harness shop in operation. The stock is large and varied, most of it being manufactured on the premises. The business is conducted by Mr. Marshall who seems to be a favorite with all who know him.

Mr. Jas. Sproat has a large carpenter's shop and employs a number of hands. He has quite a number of contracts on hand but being a young man of ability has concluded to add to his present business that of carriage making as soon as he can get time to build more shop room. If the town grows as we expect it to do we predict a bright future for the young contractor.

Mr. J. W. Barter, a jolly Englishman, is into the butchering business on a large scale. His shop is 25x30 feet and is well provided with all kinds of meats, poultry and fish that is usually found in a city shop. We here throw out a hint to some one of our pork-packers and sausage-makers that there is a good chance of securing Mr. Barter as one of their customers as he is now importing from Winnipeg. In connection with the butchering business Mr. Barter runs a large cattle ranch about 14 miles west of the town.

Childs Bros. are carrying on the blacksmith business in rather confined premises for their ever increasing business. It is their intention to enlarge them at an early date and they will then add carriage and wagon making to their present business.

Wm. McDonald has also a blacksmith shop, but as the gentlemen were not at home we could not get the particulars of his business.

Mr. Peter Weiss is a contractor and builder and has in consideration the building of a large block of stores in the spring. It is to be hoped that his pluck in doing so will meet with a suitable reward.

Like most new towns Hartney is lacking in accommodation for the travelling public. A large temperance hotel is now nearing completion which will in some measure afford the necessary facilities for those visiting the town or doing business with the citizens. There are now two stopping places in the town and they are admirably conducted, but the accommodation is limited.

Mr. James Oliver conducts one of these and has a large and well-fitted up stable in connection. Mr. Oliver is well suited for the business and in larger premises would no doubt be a popular landlord.

Mr. Wm. Hotham is the landlord of the other and his genial smile and off-hand manners make him a general favorite with those who patronize his establishment. This gentleman, in connection with Mr. Temple, also carries on a large livery, feed and sale stable. The horses and rigs are good and commercial men are supplied at reasonable prices.

Messrs. Wright & Galbreath have also a large stable and are only too pleased to furnish rigs, buy or trade horses or do any other business usually pertaining to a public stable.

The people of Hartney have apparently been too busy preparing winter quarters for themselves to have had time to think of building places of worship. The want will be supplied in the spring and in the meantime spiritual instruction is meted out in a hall over Young & Moore's store. The Rev. Mr. Joslyn is the Methodist pastor; Rev. Mr. Polson, Presbyterian, and Rev. Mr. Collinge, the Baptist.

There is a queer thing in connection with the business of this new town in Manitoba. We refer to the absence of implement warehouses and agents. As we were given to understand it, the different manufacturers have come to a tacit understanding that business can be conducted at the agencies at Deloraine and Souris and that they will not keep agents at Hartney. This is all very well for the time being, but wait until some one of them puts up a warehouse and then see the others huddle.

Another noticeable feature of the business doing was the keen competition between the wheat buyers. It was no unusual thing to see three or four of them jump on to a load out of a quarter of a mile from the elevators and make cracks of 5 cents a bushel over the first offer. During our visit 60 cents was the ruling price for No. 2 hard and inferior grades sold at better prices than can be obtained in Brandon. The buyers were John Moust, for Dines & Cleveland; Mr.

Leckie, for Hammond & Leckie; J. Scott, for Lake of the Woods Milling Co., John Scott, for himself and T. T. Atkin son, for Roblin & Atkinson.

While at Hartney we also noticed that our young friend E. W. Bateman, of Wawanesa, was unloading several cars of lumber, he having given up farming and intends trying his fortune in the lumber business in the new town. "Ed" is quite a rustler and if steady habits and strict attention to business will make a success then he is going to get there.

THE FARMERS.

"No, all we have been writing is well enough so far as present prospects are concerned, but the question arises, who is going to keep it up? The usual answer must come, 'The Farmers.' Who are these farmers? Well, we will try to give you a few of them, but the large farmers are so plentiful in this district we could not attempt to give one-tenth of them. Here are some of them: J. H. Hartney, Wm. Langhland, J. Sheppard, John Blair, John Fee, Barber Bros., with Jas. Weiss as manager, Thos. and R. J. Jasper, R. Cross, Al Henry, The Callander Settlement, Mr. Hill of the Beckett farm, White Bros., W. A. Magwood, Moses Calvary, Benson Andrews, Jno. Coxworth, Joseph Young, Ed. Briggs, John Ramsay, H. H. Barnes and others.

FIRE AT PORTAGE.

Portage La Prairie, Jan. 25.—This morning at 10 o'clock a fire broke out in the new Methodist church here, and before many people were present the flames succeeded in getting fairly to work in the centre of the building. The caretaker had lit the fire in the furnace and went home and before his return the work of destruction began. The fire brigade was promptly at work but on account of the tin and iron siding and roof of the building they were prevented from doing as much work as they might if it were simply frame. As the iron outside kept the fire within and the intense smoke within drove back any attempt to get a footing on the inside. The flames started near the furnace under or near the pulpit and spread underneath the building when seen the whole floor was one mass of flames and in a few minutes the fire flared burst up the inside walls and inside ceiling, and in spite of the two forcible streams of water that played on it, the fire proved the master and the almost total destruction of the church and school room was an accomplished fact. Nothing was saved but a few benches and chairs, and walls. By a vigorous effort the parsonage was saved from the flames, it being the only building near by the church. Too much praise cannot be given the efforts of our fire brigade, as the members worked like Trojans, and noticeable were Chief Roxburgh, H. J. Woodside, I. Thompson, J. Watson, Ed. Sparling, J. Burgh, C. Grassie, Chas. Ward. During the fire the engine exhausted two tanks. The engineer and teamster changed from one tank to another with all possible speed. The insurance on the building is about \$3,500. The value of the church is about \$6,000. The furnace of the church was overhauled lately.

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RECIPROCITY RASTUS.

MR. WIMAN TALKS FREE TRADE AT A BOSTON BANQUET.

Boston, Jan. 21. Erasmus Wiman, of New York, attended the banquet of the Boston and New England Free Trade Association, which was held at the Hotel Marlborough, last evening. Mr. Wiman, who is a member of the New England Free Trade Association, spoke on the subject of "Reciprocity, the New Hope of New England." Among other things he said the Tory party, both of Great Britain and Canada, began to see the handwriting on the wall. The control by English manufacturers of the trade of half the continent is threatened and his fair to be as free from European domination, in the northern part of the continent, as we became a hundred years ago, if the voice of the people is to settle the question. The negotiations, now being carried on between the Canadian Government and the State Department at Washington are the direct result of pressure brought to bear from the English Government. An attempt will be made to get the United States to agree to partial reciprocity as the basis for a settlement of all difficulties. This will be done by offering freedom in natural products, as in cotton, corn, coal, lumber, etc., all fishing privileges, transportation regulations, similar to interstate conditions and possibly yielding to Britain's contention of Belting Strait question, which since his last letter on the subject, there is also for Great Britain to do. This sudden change in favor of even partial reciprocity by the Tory government in England and in Canada, is to avoid the clean sweep which the Liberals would make at the impending general election in Canada, the verber of which would be unquestionably in favor of reciprocity in its most unrestricted form, resulting in the free introduction of American manufactures and the continued exaction of English goods. The British manufacturer plainly sees that he would thus be at a tremendous disadvantage, as compared with his American rival, and to prevent this possibility that partial reciprocity is now proposed. The effect upon the existing British and Canadian Tory governments of such an expression of the Canadian people as would shut out from forty per cent. of the market the goods of the remaining sixty per cent, and at the same time admit the manufacturers of the United States free, would be most serious. Hence diplomacy is resorted to, in the hope of averting the verdict, and taking the wind out of the filling sail of the Liberal party. But the question is not one of diplomacy, it is one of legislation. There is more in the nod of Mr. Reed's head, in recognition of Mr. Hitt as chairman of the committee of foreign affairs, permitting the passage of a resolution inviting Canada to reciprocity than there is in the whole machinery of the state department. The government in Great Britain could, for an instant stand the criticism to which they would be subjected, did they inaugurate, in the chief of the British colonies, a policy of unrestricted reciprocity with the United States, and it is needless that any tangible results will ensue from the negotiations, where the effect of the Tory party, both in England and Canada, is to restrict imports of American manufactures to as great a degree as possible. The American people will never again be content with partial or half-hearted reciprocity. If they can offer a market of sixty-three millions, in exchange for one of five millions, there must be no limitations, no interchange of every product, and the manufactured and the raw materials of the two people, must be on the same basis of agreement. The Canadian people, especially the great majority, comprising farmers, miners, lumbermen and fishermen, and shippers are eager for an unrestrained trade with this country, and it needs only the passage of the Hitt-Sherman resolution through Congress and firmness on the part of Britain not to be tempted by any partial offers, to result in a victory at the next election in Canada, which shall forever open the greatest half of the continent to the trade of this country, and begot the supplies of free raw material and cheapened food products, which will do more for pure New England, both for internal and foreign trade, than other event that could happen.

RECIPROCAL ARRANGEMENT.

Toronto, Jan. 21. The Mail speaking of the claim being made by government papers that Sir Charles Tupper, when he made his "reciprocal free trade offer" to the United States, acted in concert with the Ottawa policy, says that it does not appear, judging by recent events of the period and the expression of articles in the press, that he was so far from the dutiable list, to be a "free trade" man. It seems indeed, as if this claim were advanced in anticipation of a settlement or attempt on Sir Charles Tupper's lines, that is to say, on the basis of a very wide reciprocal arrangement.

Toronto, Jan. 21. The Globe's London correspondent cables: "Official circles are still most reticent respecting trade negotiations between Canada and the States. It is understood, however, the affair has gone beyond mere preliminaries. The government of the United States has been assured the Canadian government is always ready to consider a broad reciprocal trade arrangement and would join it in a formal commission of enquiry if the United States government so desires."

SLASHED TO DEATH.

Wichita, Kan., Jan. 21.—Commodore Luper, a Mexican, while drunk last night attacked a colored woman named Allen, who with her husband occupied part of the house in which Luper lives. Mr. Allen escaped and ran to a neighboring house occupied by persons named Dawson, who she jumped into a bed occupied by Dawson and his wife. The Mexican was just behind her, and hacked and slashed the occupants of the bed with a large knife. Dawson was fatally cut, and his wife is horribly gashed about the legs and arms. Mrs. Allen was also terribly cut. Dawson died late last night.

"MAMA STEPPED ON THE GUN."

Dr. Benson, coroner, returned yesterday from a pretty long drive in holding the inquest on Mrs. Sutcliffe, whose tragic death at Shovel Lake was reported in Monday's Free Press. Owing to the conflicting reports a most searching investigation was held, and its conclusion is a verdict of accidental shooting was returned. It appears that Mrs. Sutcliffe, who was a Miss Bremner, formerly of Headingly, was the victim of a painful disease which had fatally affected several members of the family. She had suffered from it for some time, but according to her husband was not despondent, as they were progressing favorably and doing well on the farm. The principal witness at the inquest was the deceased's little child, who was the sole witness of the tragedy—the husband and father being at the barn at the time of the fatal accident. At first the poor little one said "Mama stepped on the gun, and it went off," but afterwards, doubtless after hearing the gossip and theories of the neighbors, told a different story, which was to the effect that her mother went to the lumber drawer, took out a cartridge, put it in the gun, kissed her good-bye and then shot herself. There was no question of foul play at all and great sympathy is expressed for the bereaved family by the neighbors, some of whom, however, hold the opinion that the unfortunate woman was a little despondent. However, after thoroughly sifting the evidence the jury took the charitable view and returned a verdict of accidental death.

Dr. Benson actually drove 167 miles on Monday and Tuesday, but returned home not much the worse of wear for his long and tedious journey.

CENSUS QUESTION.

The census will be taken in March. Schedules for the guidance of the census commissioners have been published, and give information as to what the people will be called upon to answer. Schedule No. 1 relating to the return of the living, providing for stating the number in the families, their sex and age, their birth-place, the birth-place of their parents, religion, professions, who their employers, how many in the family who are working, how many were unemployed during the week preceding the census, whether they can read or write, whether they are deaf, dumb, blind or of unsound mind. An employer is to give the average number of persons employed by him. There is a schedule for real estate owners in which they are to give their total acres, the number of town and village lots, number of acres occupied, number of acres on pasture, number of acres in woodland and forest, number of acres in gardens and orchards. Farmers will have to tell the number of acres and the average yield of wheat, oats, barley, rye, peas, buckwheat, beans, hay, corn, root crop and other products; the number of horses, colts and fillies, oxen, milch cows, other horned cattle, sheep and swine slaughtered for export; the pounds of home-made butter and cheese; the number of hives of bees and the amount of honey produced; the amount of home-made cloth, flannel and linen, the amount paid for farm labor, and the number of weeks of hired help upon the farm in 1890. The schedule for industrial establishments provides for statistics of the fixed capital in hands, buildings and machinery, the working capital, average number of employees, over and under 16 years of age, of both sexes; aggregate amount of yearly wages, the amount of yearly wages; the months in which it was in operation, the extent and nature of the power used, the kind and quality of materials used, the kind, quantity and value of the products. There are also schedules for the collection of information respecting the products of the forests, mines and fisheries and the extent of the fisheries.

A MAGNIFICENT SIGHT.

Grafton, W., Jan. 21. People along Buffalo Creek "saw Monongahela" River between Mannington and Uppington were treated to a magnificent conflagration on Monday night. A great pipe of where it crosses Buffalo Creek and for the stream bed into the river unnoticed. The fire was high and the current swift, and by the time the break was discovered and stopped the creek and river for twenty miles were covered with oil. After dark some one fired the oil, and in an incredibly short time the streams were on fire for twenty miles. The flames seemed to touch the very skies, and the mountains on each side glowed like burnished gold in the magnificent light. At the point where the river and creek meet the sight was indescribably grand, and the flames rolled up against the hills in enormous clouds of light that showed land, scape as far away as Fairmount. The sky seemed a vast mirror reflecting the landscape for miles, and Uppington twenty miles away could be seen across hills a thousand feet higher than the town itself. It is known to-day that the reflection of the conflagration was seen fifty miles away. The heat was something awful, and thousands of trees were killed and five bridges burned, including the great iron bridge at Pine Grove. The fire burned the greater part of the night. Hundreds of flocks caught fire. Inhabitants of the country for miles remained up all night and are still talking of the greatest fire America ever saw.

ROBBERS AT CALGARY.

Calgary, Jan. 21.—Early this morning G. E. Jacques' jewelry store on Stephen avenue was entered by burglars, who almost cleaned out the place, taking all the gold watches, ornaments and cash amounting to about five thousand dollars. The premises were entered from the back where a pane of glass was broken to allow the key being turned in the door, after which the safe was opened by some one who understood the combination and the wooden drawers were opened by a hatchet found in the store. To-night two men were arrested on suspicion. McDonald, a former clerk of Jacques', being one, and Gus Hanton, a negro sleeping car porter, the other. Their trial will take place to-morrow.

THE MALE SOPHANO.

A Dangerous Man to Have Around When Your Wife Is Away.

HERE is one excellent woman in this city who wishes she had attended to her own affairs and neither listened nor talked. The wife of a popular railroad man, who occupied rooms and boarded in her house went away for a week, and left him alone. He was of a social disposition he invited in some of his friends—two or three railroad officials and a well-known professor of music—and proceeded to have an evening of it, in a madly hilarious way.

"The small hours the musician entertained them with some amusing and very clever imitations of a prima donna. He brought forth peals of laughter and was loudly applauded.

"The next morning the lady of the house received her husband with a brow like a thundercloud. He attempted to apologize for the noisy demonstrations of the previous evening, but was frowned down. It was not until his wife had returned and met him with an icy front, that he knew the full measure of his offending.

"I didn't suppose I couldn't have believed it," she said, inconsequently, "that you could be so base."

"Base, my dear? What do you mean? Why these remarks?"

"You—you—sobs," sobbed his wife, rising to the four-foot-five-inch dignity of a tragedy queen. "Oh, Henry, how you have deceived me! Was was the woman who came here and sang to you and your friends, when I, your wife, was absent? Answer me that, false-moan."

"I swear no woman, not even the wash-lady, came. Who has been telling you such infamous things?"

"The wash-lady does sing opera airs in a high soprano voice at midnight, nor play the piano, either."

"Oh, I see, I see," exclaimed the husband suddenly, as he remembered that night. Then he sat down and laughed until he was black in the face.

"Why, why," he gasped, "that wasn't a woman at all. That was Prof. S. He was imitating some opera singer he had heard, and we all roared! It was too funny."

"The landlady told me—"

"The landlady be hanged!" said Henry, solemnly. "I'll teach her to listen and meddle with other people's affairs."

A hollow peace was patched up all round, but Henry will entertain no more male sopranos when his wife is absent.

—Detroit Free Press.

EXCELLENCE OF SALT.

Many Ways in Which It Can Be Utilized

If the feet are tired or painful after long standing, great relief can be had by bathing them in salt water. A handful of salt to a gallon of water is the right proportion. Have the water as hot as can be comfortably borne. Immerse the feet and throw the water over the legs as far as the knees with the hands. When the water becomes too cool, rub briskly with a flesh-tooth. This method, if used night and morning, will cure neuralgia of the feet.

Carpets may be greatly brightened by first sweeping thoroughly and then going over them with a clean cloth and salt and water. Use a cupful of coarse salt to a large basin of water.

Salt as a tooth powder is better than almost anything that can be bought. It keeps the teeth brilliantly white, and gums hard and rosy.

If, after having a tooth pulled, the mouth is filled with salt and water, it will slay the danger of having a hemorrhage.

To clean an willow furniture use salt and water. Apply with a nail-brush, scrub well and dry thoroughly.

When broiling a steak, throw a little salt on the coals and the flame from the dripping fat will not annoy.

Damp salt will remove the discoloration of cups and saucers caused by tea and careless washing.

Brass work can be kept beautifully bright by occasionally rubbing with salt and vinegar.

Wash the inside of the stove doors with salt and vinegar.

Salt in white wash will make it stick better.

The Remarkable Career of a Bourbon (Ind. Lady).

Mrs. Dr. Spencer, of Bourbon, Ind., is fifty-four years old and has been twice married. She has the Chicago Tribune. Her maiden name was Emma Lyon, and she was born in Canton, N. Y. At the age of sixteen she married Nelson Drake, a carpenter. Before she was eighteen she was left a widow with one daughter, now Mrs. Burke, of Peru, Ind. She next married a man named Roberts, of whom little is known. At the age of twenty she married her third husband, Dr. Margaret, of Indianapolis. Four years later Dr. Margaret died, the issue of this marriage being four children. A man named Ballard was her next husband. Ballard died, and she married Dr. Vanhook in Kokomo, Ind., two children being born to them. In 1876 she was again a widow and married Mr. Straubacher. When it came Straubacher's turn to die she was left a widow again. She was then married to a man named Thomas. The Thomas attachment did not last long, and in 1884 she was captured by a retired farmer named Cunningham, who, although rich, was divorced on the ground of non-support. The divorce was granted in 1885, and in July of that year she married another farmer named Spencer, who had himself been married eight times. Spencer died in 1885, and in 1889 she was married to Judge Z. O. Boulton, of Marshall County, Ind. She was awarded a decree of divorce from Judge Boulton at the last term of the Marshall Circuit Court and her name changed to Spencer.

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LOCAL NEWS

Mr. W. H. Hall, of Souris, visited Winnipeg last week.

Mr. William Hamilton, one of Neepawa's implement agents, was in the city on Sunday.

Mr. A. Chapman conducted the services at the Y. M. C. A. on Sunday evening. There was a fair attendance.

The C. P. R. is reimbursing settlers in the west who lost hay by prairie fires started by the company's locomotives.

Notice has been given that the creditors of G. N. Gilchrist, of this city, will meet Winnipeg on the 2nd of February.

Rapid City wooden mills are now manufacturing blankets and tweeds as there was a scarcity of wool suitable for yarns.

Prof. Tyndall who lately gave a few entertainments in mind reading in this city was taken suddenly ill at Mooseomin during one of his sojourns.

It is stated on good authority that the Calgary council have offered Sergt. English, of Winnipeg, a salary of \$1,200 a year as Chief of their police force.

Citizens of Hartney town and the surrounding district have had the benefit of a visit from these celebrated evangelists, the Misses Judd. Much good has been accomplished in the neighborhood.

The Saskatchewan published at Prince Albert attributes the very depressed state of trade in that town to the high rate of freight on the new railway and the suspension of Knox's private bank.

INVESTORS in City and OTHER PROPERTY would do well to see Mr. Fred. D. Connor who has a large list of valuable property for sale. House properties range from \$500 to \$4,000.

The Boissevain mare Melina which was taken to the Southern States last season has been showing her heels to some of the crack horses in the sunny south. Horsemen of this city have claimed she was a "fast un."

Regina Leader: "Some admirable surgical work has been done at the Medicine Hat hospital. Recently a man's abdomen was opened and an obstruction in the bowels removed. The man is doing well."

Rapid City Reporter: "Quite a number of men and teams left here this week for the lumber woods on the Little Saskatchewan. Wages are \$2 per day and all found. That pays better than 20 cts. per bushel for wheat and a lot of grumbling as well."

The dance given at the Lingham on last Thursday evening by Mrs. Jacobs was well attended and proved a most enjoyable affair. It does not require one to belong to the most tony society to enjoy a dance even in the Lingham hotel.

Talk of stock raising not paying in this country. We were informed that Mr. John Ramsey a farmer near Hartney was offered a half section of good land for a two year old entire colt that he raised. It all depends on the quality of the stock you raise.

An interesting meeting of the Temperance people of the city is to be held in the Presbyterian church this evening at 8 p.m. Mayor Kelly has promised to act as chairman and a number of prominent temperance workers are to be on hand. The discussion will be on a resolution favoring prohibition.

The municipality of Winchester has a very stringent code of by-laws regarding public health, public morals and such like kindred subjects. Would it not be well for Councils, councils and try and suppress some of the nuisances in the municipality.

Farmers see that you do not get weary of well doing but attend to the Farmers' Institute next Saturday in as large number as you did the last meeting. Don't forget the subject for discussion. "The best mode of sowing," this to include the preparation of the soil, thick or thin seeding, sowing broadcast, with the press drill or otherwise. Come prepared to ask and answer questions.

We give the following as an instance of the kind of weather that they are having in the eastern provinces. A letter has been received from Miss McKelvie who left the city for her home in Megantic, Que., a couple of weeks ago. In his letter the young lady states that although her father lives but four miles from the station it took him and his team from 9 o'clock in the morning until 1 o'clock in the afternoon to make the four miles when he came to meet her.

It is strange that men, who are looked up to by the citizens of the town in which they live as models of good behavior, or in some cases even as pillars of the church, forget themselves when they are away from home. A case in point came to our knowledge during the past week in which a distributor of justice in one of the towns of the province visited our city and by his conduct brought disgrace not only on himself but on the town in which he distributes justice.

It is rather amusing sometimes to see how habits, old expressions and such like, will creep up even with people of refinement. We have often been reminded of this in our own case where a word or two of the Irish brogue will escape us during moments of excitement notwithstanding that we have not seen the Emerald Isle for over fifty years. We were much amused on Monday last, by hearing a refined lady of Scotch parentage, while trying to look into the nest of one of her pet canaries which pecked at her in resentment, call out in broad Scotch "Wha would think the little beastie would show fight."

H. C. Clay, of the Rapid City Reporter, was in the city on Saturday last.

Minnesota grain buyers have rented rooms and established a grain exchange.

Mr. Fay the manufacturer of the Manitoba paper that bears his name was in the city last week.

Portage la Prairie now boasts of a school population of 672. Of these there are 348 boys and 324 girls.

Dr. Howden, of the town of Perth, county of Lanark, Ont., has removed to Carberry to practice the healing art.

The lower grades of wheat suitable for chaffing for feed took a rise in price at Carberry on last Thursday of 5 cents a bushel.

The Carberry news of last week quoted the price of No. 2 hard at 45 cts. What is the matter with the Brandon buyers?

FARMERS AND OTHERS having properties for sale would do well to communicate with Mr. Fred. D. Connor, Real Estate Agent, Brandon.

The Rev. H. C. Mason, pastor of the Congregational church in this city, has returned from Ontario, where he had gone some weeks ago to visit a sick brother.

Death has made sad havoc with the little ones of the city during the past ten days. Amongst those called on to mourn the loss of a pet of the household were Mr. and Mrs. Finch of 13th street.

Another batch of our excursionist farmers returned from Ontario last week. It is laughable to see gruesome faces of some of them when telling of the winter weather they experienced down there. Manitoba will be good enough for some of them for a long time to come.

The Minnesota Oddfellows give a dramatic performance in Rapid City this evening. The play will be "Ten Nights in a Bar-room." It is not at all unlikely that this city will send out a quantum of the audience.

Minneapolis Tribune: "The Rev. J. M. Wellwood left for the south on Monday morning, the event of cold snap driving him to a warmer climate. The weather becoming milder before he reached Winnipeg he has decided to remain in the Province till it becomes cold again."

W. R. Boles, of Chatter, says he cannot bear to see the Sun. He did not sell the bear he killed for \$10 in Douglas as stated, but for \$25 for the hide and \$10 more for the two front quarters.

Mr. Wan, West a farmer living about two and a half miles north of the city has leased his farm for five years and is now busily engaged building a house and stable on Pacific avenue so as to bring in his family to town. Mr. West will make a good citizen as he is quite a rustic.

We notice in passing Sylvester Bros. warrens a new design in a Seeler, namely Clark's latest improved cutaway harrow with broadcast seeding attachment, also the new Monitor press drill with spring tooth attachment. Farmers would do well to inspect these goods before purchasing elsewhere.

Considerable interest is taken in Hartney and other southwestern parts of the province in the checker matches that are to take place in the near future for the championship of Southern Manitoba. Mr. Anderson, of Melita, who first threw out the challenge, is an aged Scotsman and a good player.

A rather singular accident happened lately on the Calgary curling rink. Mr. W. A. Perry, roadmaster of the C. P. R., ran against another man who was smoking a cigar. The lighter cigar entered Perry's eye and so injured it that he had to be removed to the hospital.

A very short time ago it was thought by some of the shippers of oats from this city to the east that the then ruling prices would not be maintained. We notice by our Ontario exchanges that there has not only been a decrease in prices in the western part of that province but that there has been an advance. Oats are now quoted in London, Ont., at 43 cents a bushel.

A Calgary correspondent of the Regina Leader has the following to say of Dr. Lafferty, who is well known to many of our citizens: "Although Rely was a most unpopular man his election as mayor has given great satisfaction to most Calgarians. Lafferty's interests are, with Senator Longhead's, all in the West end, and he had got in as mayor he would have done all he could to pull the town to the west. It is an odd thing that the speculators in all new towns try to do this. Lafferty will try to get into Parliament next time; he will be Rely, and there may be a three-cornered fight. Lafferty won't have a ghost of a show in Calgary, because the majority of the citizens are in the west and in what direction his influences would be thrown."

Winnipeg Tribune: "Previous years the rash of the grain market has been casual red pretty well over by the middle of January. But such is not the case for 1901. The deliveries of wheat at country points are greater than at any time during the winter, and the quantities being carried out of the province by the railways are in excess of the busiest period of last year. An official of the Canadian Pacific railway says present indications are that the wheat shipment will continue till May. He says the bulk of the grain is being sent east for export, but a considerable quantity will be required for milling purposes in the eastern provinces. Speaking of the quantity of wheat, the official said it was a grievous error to imagine the wheat was all of lesser grades. Every carload of wheat shipped from the Souris country had been of excellent samples. Of 85 carloads taken from one elevator only one carload had graded as low as No. 3."

Repairing fine watches a specialty with Mallett, the jeweler.

Sacramental and quarterly services will be held in the Methodist church, next Sunday. Sacramental service in the evening.

Don't forget that Mallett, the jeweler, is yet at his old stands in Brandon and Souris, where he will sell you goods at very low prices.

Mr. Broach of Alexander, wishes us to say, the bulky horse he had the other day was not bought from any dealer in this city.

Mallett, the jeweler, of Brandon and Souris, is selling off his stock of watches and clocks at Rock Bottom prices for the next four weeks.

Last week there passed through this city thirty-five sailors, hardy sons of Nova Scotia, for the Pacific Coast, to engage in the Behring Sea sealing fisheries.

The 96th Batt. band intend holding a carnival on the skating rink in a short time. The proceeds are for the benefit of the land fund and the public should patronize the boys liberally.

We are in receipt of a copy of the Los Angeles "Orange Grower" of the 16th inst., showing that Mr. W. B. Hannan had safely arrived in that city to rejoin his family.

The hospital committee meeting which was called for last Monday, had to be adjourned until Friday, the 15th of February, owing to the secretary's report not being quite ready.

The detachment of Mounted Police who passed through here a few weeks ago for Deloraine returned to Regina last week as it was found that the rumors of trouble at Turtle Mountain were all pure fabrication.

The light fall of snow on Friday morning set many of the wisecracks going with their predictions that winter had set in for sure and that now we might expect our real Manitoba winter. The beautiful weather of Saturday disproved all their predictions.

Wednesday next the 3rd of February is one of the regular sale days of F. Wilecks. He informs us that he has a great variety of stuff entered for sale, including household goods, goods seized under chattel mortgage, sheep, pigs and other animals.

Mr. J. S. Langton & Co. have had a new show window put in at their tailoring establishment. They expect a consignment of spring and summer clothes and wish to have a place to show them to advantage.

The carnival on the skating rink at Souris on last Thursday evening was a grand success. There were not as many skaters left here for the southern town as was expected owing to there being a carnival here the same evening. We regret not being able to give the particulars.

Rev. Hugh Pedley, of Winnipeg, will lecture under the auspices of the Young People's Society of the Congregational church, on Monday, February 16th, "Tom Brown in Winnipeg," a companion to "Sandie McCrue," is the lecture selected.

Our friends one and all should remember the Foresters' concert, in McDiarmid's hall, tomorrow (Friday) evening.

We have now sent all accounts due this office and have only to say, we must insist on prompt payment. Their total aggregate is \$7,500, and we cannot do without the money. It must be forthcoming.

Mr. Wm. Magwood elected in North Perth on last Friday as a member of the Ontario Legislature is a first cousin of our fellow townsmen Maywood Bros of the transfer Co. Mr. Magwood must not only be talented but popular, for although he is a conservative, and the riding generally returns a Grit, he beat his opponent by a respectable majority.

Mr. Wm. Senkbiel has now got most of his stock of boots and shoes opened out. His show of foot gear as shown in his front window on Rossier is very attractive and is the admiration of many a lady who is thinking of how nice the babies would look shod with a pair of the many varieties exposed. Ladies and gentlemen's fine boots a specialty.

A disappointed crowd were those coming from the C. P. R. station on Monday evening. On enquiry we learned that they were the C. P. R. employees who went down to meet the pay car and found out that although the said car was attached to the train there was no cash for them. Too bad that some mismanagement that the workmen did not get their pay.

Mr. McQuinn, of Rapid City, had rather a rough experience on Friday last while coming down the hill north of 18th St. bridge. He had a lead of butter and other articles of trade from the northern burg to this city. The team became unmanageable coming down the hill and sent over the embankment. The horses were not injured but the loss on brokerage etc., amounts to something over \$30.

A most interesting event took place at the Episcopal church in this city, on the 14th inst., it being the marriage of Miss Lizzie June, daughter of Mr. George Hawes to Mr. Alex. Allen, all of this city, the rector, the Rev. Mr. Rogers officiating. Miss Hawkins was always a special favorite with her acquaintances, and the kind regards for her in her change of name was the expression of good will from all acquainted with her.

If you want anything in the way of a time piece, an Albert chain, rings or other jewellery, just call upon Mallett, the jeweler, either at his Brandon or Souris shop. You can buy anything in stock at very low prices for the next month.

THE SONG OF OUR HOME RULES.

You may sing of your great monarchs. And tell of rules all day long: But I'll sing of greater honors. While singing of our home rule song.

When you ask me of the rules That we have to rule our home, I will answer that no truer And even should from room to room.

He is not tall of stature, truly. No, he's small and round and white. He shunts—we find him sticking fast. He's never full of pure delight.

He always wakens just as day breaks. And with those bright rough eyes He started look around he takes. As he some greater mischief spies.

He waits until we're all at breakfast. And then back to his mischief goes. He shouts—we find him sticking fast. Between chairs he's piled in rows.

Please take me out, he snammers sternly. And who could say our ruler nay? Then comes the ruler to his high chair. And does with joy new mischief now.

He reaches, pulls him sticking fast. And wonders at the awful row. But Oh our ruler's our dear baby. Too soon, he'll be growing up.

To battle on life's sea, or make a drink of disappointment's cup. So let us try, and when ever. That sweet spirit, in which he moves. Knowing then that naught can answer Nature's bond where'er he roves.

Sara E. Fisher.

January 6th, 1901.

ONTARIO BY-ELECTIONS.

AN IMPORTANT GAIN FOR THE CONSERVATIVES.

Toronto, Jan. 21.—In the Ontario local elections yesterday the result was not so satisfactory for the Mowat government as was expected. South Norfolk returned Charlton, Liberal, by a small majority.

North Perth went Conservative, Magwood having a majority of fifty; East Durham re-elected Campbell, Equal Righter, by a majority of forty-three, and North Norfolk elected Carpenter, Liberal, by a majority of 250.

At the general elections on June 5th last, Charlton had 50 majority in South Norfolk; Campbell 7 in East Durham; Ahrens, Liberal, 92 in North Perth; and Freeman, Liberal, 311 in North Norfolk.

The first three seats were declared vacant by the courts and the last vacancy was caused by the death of the member elect, Mr. Freeman.

GAMIN AND LAWYER.

How a Chicago Attorney Acquired a Stock of Penny Papers.

"Do you know Attorney Van Buren?" asked one legal light of another the other evening, within hearing of a Chicago Mail reporter. "Yes," said Van Buren, "I know him pretty nicely the other day. He's pretty smooth, you know; don't trust anybody unless he knows 'em, and watches them even he if he does."

"Well, Van came out of the county building yesterday about five o'clock and started down a street. A 11th-century of a new baby ran across, held out a penny paper and cooed: 'Paper, paper!' Evening paper, five o'clock edition, all about the world's fair, as he ran along beside the attorney."

"Van took a paper, dove down into his trousers for a penny, coughed and one, and handed the boy a dime."

"I ain't got no change, mister. You just wait here an' I'll get it for you in a second," said the kid, and started off.

"Here, you," yelled Van. "Come here. If you're going after the change you just give me your papers till you come back. I'm onto your curves, my lad. You can't do no'."

"The kid grinned, vowed innocence of any intention to defraud, and instantly forked over the bundle of papers."

"All right, sir; you just hold 'em till I come back," he said, and skipped across the street.

"Van read his paper, absently holding the others under his arm, for about ten minutes. Then he looked around for the boy, but he hadn't returned. He gradually dawned on Van's mind that possibly the boy wasn't coming back, and he at once began investigating his securities. There were only eight papers in the lot besides the one he was reading. Van cast the eight wistfully into the gutter and walked away with a muttered expression which didn't reflect much credit on a lawyer who allowed himself to be done up so beautifully and perfectly by a rascal of the streets, even while he was taking unusual precautions to avoid that very end. They say Van is a perfect terror about the sufficiency of bonds in his practice since the event occurred."

DIED

MURPHY.—In this city on Thursday the 22nd Mr. Walter, in the 60th year of age, of George E. and Mary Murphy, aged 10 days.

Notice of Dissolution.

NOTICE is hereby given that the partnership existing between the undersigned, doing business in the city of Brandon as Implement dealers, has been dissolved by mutual consent, such dissolution to take effect on the 1st day of March, 1901.

Witness: G. H. SMITH, JAMES SHERRIFF.

T. M. G. DAY.

Hospital Meeting.

THE adjourned annual meeting of the Brandon General Hospital will be held in the Council Chamber, Brandon, at 2 p.m. on Friday, February 1st. Members are requested to attend without further notice.

ROBT. DARRACH, Secretary.

Notice of Dissolution.

NOTICE is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, as hotel keepers in the city of Brandon has been this day dissolved by mutual consent. All debts owing to the said partnership are to be paid to Alfred F. Boisseau at the city of Brandon aforesaid, and all claims against the said partnership are to be presented to the said Alfred F. Boisseau by whom the same will be settled.

Dated at Brandon this 24th day of January, A. D. 1901.

A. F. BOISSEAU, E. H. C. WEBB BOWEN.

Witness: J. K. MALTBY.

Great Stock Taking Sale at NATION & CO'S.

Commencing on Monday, the 5th January, to continue for one month will offer WITHOUT RESERVE, all WINTER Goods at the

Greatest Reductions ever quoted in Brandon

Big reductions will be made on all lines THROUGHOUT THE STORE but on Seasonable Goods such as

Woolens, Mantles, Flannels and Blankets.

Heavy Pure Wool Grey Flannel, 25 cents, for 18 cents. Heavy Ontario Yarns for 35 cents. Rapid City Yarns, plain colors, 45 cents.

FURS!

Sablette worth \$7.00 for \$4.50. Coon Coats worth 42.00 for 31.50. Coon Coats worth 45.00 for 33.00. Coon Coats worth 50.00 for 38.00. Australian Bear worth 25.00 for 18.50. Natural Dog Coats worth 50.00 for 21.50. Goat Coats Grey or Brown 18.00 for 13.00. Persian Lamb worth 120.00 for 90.00. Ladies' Astrachan Mantles 27.00 for 20.00. do 30.00 for 23.00. do 35.00 for 25.00. do 38.00 for 28.00. do 40.00 for 30.00. Bokharan worth 60.00 for 45.00. do full length worth 75.00 for 57.50.

South Sea Seal Caps at 11.00 and \$13.00, best qualities. Persian Cap 5.00, 6.00 and \$7.00 for best. Also Muffs, Boas, Gauntlets, Collars, etc., all at actual cost price.

Quilts, Yarns, Dress Goods, Cloths and Underwear, in Ladies, Gents, Boys and Girls, all must go and

Cost Price will in no case be Refused

Remember, WE ARE putting THIS STRAIGHT and the Goods must go as we have an OBJECT IN VIEW. In order to accomplish this GOODS MUST BE SOLD and Bargains will be the order of the day at OUR STORE as you will see by a few quotations as follows: In addition to these we sell all our GLOVES, HOSIERY, FANCY GOODS, CARPETS and HOUSE FURNISHINGS, CURTAINS, OILCLOTHS, POLES, Etc. Now is the time to furnish CHEAP. Best Brussels Carpet \$1.25.

NO GOODS CHARGED. NO GOODS SENT ON APPROVAL. NO GOODS TAKEN BACK OR EXCHANGED.

This is to be the Greatest Sale ever held in Brandon, so come early and get first choice. Finest Stock in the Province.

The Verdict of the Public

—IS THAT—

MCKELVIE & DUNWOODY'S

20 per cent, discount sale is the only legitimate reduction sale ever offered to the public in Brandon.

The rush at the Golden Lion for cheap Dry Goods has far exceeded our most sanguine expectations.

Our Sale closes on Saturday, Jan. 31st and for the remainder of this week we have still to offer our \$15,000 worth of Staple and Fancy Dry Goods at above discount.

Also several Job Lines to be cleared at about half price, 70 doz. Men's Linen Collars to be given away at 25 cents per dozen.

Goods all marked in plain figures.

MCKELVIE & DUNWOODY'S

The Golden Lion

Ranger Avenue, Brandon, Man.